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LAND HALIBUT AT PORTLAND

Two of the Big Hooks Fleet Bring Rest of Fares in Here.

It was pretty quiet along the waterfront at this port this morning, two of the halibut fleet coming over from Portland with the fresh and salt fares, after disposing of their halibut there.

They are schs. John Hays Hammond, hailing for 60,000 pounds of fresh hake and 10,000 pounds of salt cod and Mystery, 35,000 pounds of fresh fish and 8,000 pounds of salt cod.

The gill netters did well again both Wednesday and yesterday, steamers Philomena Sawyer, Ethel, Bethulia, George E. Fisher, Nashawena, Gertrude T., Margaret D., and Ventura having 15,000 pounds and over. Steamer Sawyer, Capt. George E. Heckman picked up but part of her nets, but made a good haul for all that, having over 16,000 pounds.

One of the fine records made since the season opened is that of steamer Bethulia, which during the past four weeks has landed 400,000 pounds of fresh fish.

The fares for the most part are pollock, although the crafts are striking a few haddock, cod and hake among their fares, and these for the most part are being shipped fresh to Boston.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. John Hays Hammond, St. Peter's Bank, via Portland, 60,000 lbs. fresh fish, 10,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Mystery, via Portland, 35,000 lbs. fresh fish, 8,000 lbs. salt cod.

Steamer Ibsen, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.

Steamer Eagle, gill netting, 4598 lbs. fresh fish.

Steamer Naomi Bruce, gill netting, 5585 lbs. fresh fish.

Steamer Mindora, gill netting, 1870 lbs. fresh fish.

Steamer Rough Rider, gill netting, 4800 lbs. fresh fish.

Steamer Nomad, gill netting, 13,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Steamer Bethulia, gill netting, 18,000 lbs. fresh fish (went to Boston.)

Steamer Venture, gill netting, 17,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Steamer Hugo, gill netting, 885 lbs. fresh fish.

Steamer Anna T., gill netting, 8323 lbs. fresh fish.

Steamer Ethel, gill netting, 7000 lbs. fresh fish.

Steamer Mary L., gill netting, 4275 lbs. fresh fish.

Steamer Geisha, gill netting, 8000 lbs. fresh fish.

Steamer Lorena, gill netting, 3090 lbs. fresh fish.

Steamer Sawyer, gill netting, 16,305 lbs. fresh fish.

Steamer Scott, gill netting, 8000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Medomak, gill netting, 11,000 lbs. fresh fish.

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TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$4.25; medium, \$3.75; snappers, \$2.75.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5.50 per cwt.; medium, \$4.62 1-2; snappers, \$3.25.

Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; mediums, \$3.75; snappers, \$3.

Dory handlining codfish, large, \$4.50; medium, \$4.12 1-2; snappers, \$3.50.

Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; mediums, \$4.

Drift codfish, large \$4.25; mediums, \$3.62 1-2.

Cusk, large, \$2.25; mediums, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.25.

Pollock, \$1.50.

Hake, \$1.50.

Haddock, \$1.50.

Large salt mackerel \$20 per bbl.; Fletched halibut, 10c per lb.

Fresh Fish.

Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.

Eastern cod, large, \$2.10; medium, \$1.75; snappers, 75c.

Western cod, large, \$2.15; mediums, \$1.80; snappers, 75c.

All codfish not gilled 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.

Hake, \$1.15.

Cusk, large \$1.30; mediums, \$1; snappers, 50c.

Dressed pollock, 90c; round, 80c.

Bank halibut, 15 1/2c lb. for white and gray.

Fresh mackerel, 25c for large.

Fresh herring, \$1 per bbl. to salt; \$2 per bbl. for bait.

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REVOLUTIONIZE GULF FISHING

E. E. Saunders Co. to Have Big Craft for Floating Cold Storage.

If the plans of E. E. Saunders, head of the Saunders company, of Pensacola, materialize, Gulf fishing will be revolutionized, says a Mobile despatch. Mr. Saunders has purchased the steel hull formerly known as the bark Henney, laid up here, which will be converted into a modern floating cold storage plant for use on the Champechy Banks. The Henney became the property of Mr. Saunders during the latter part of this week. According to heads of local fishing companies the steel hull will be fitted up as a refrigerator ship, such as is used on the Newfoundland banks and will freeze the catches of fishing smacks and keep them in storage until the fish market demands that they be brought to the states. A power boat will bring the fish to the various companies in interest.

Those at Pensacola who are in position to know, when questioned regarding the reported plans of the Saunders Fish company, stated that the company has no such plans under consideration; that such a plan is all most impracticable if not unprofitable. It is true that the E. E. Saunders company has purchased the bark Henney, of Mobile, but she was purchased for the sole purpose of being used in barging cargoes between different points.

The above reported plan was once tried by Galveston fishers, though the fleet operated from that port does not compare with the local fleet, the system was found impracticable and had to be abandoned. A steamer was converted into a refrigerator ship and no time was lost in conveying the cargoes to port.

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Musn't Dump Dead Fish.

There is a law against the dumping of dead fish in the waters of Maine because of the fact that live fish will avoid locations where dead fish have been thrown overboard. There have been a number of instances this fall where fishermen found they had landed more herring than they could take care of, and quantities of them have been dumped overboard in Casco Bay. Last year many small herring were caught and hundreds of pounds were thrown back into the water, with the result that not a herring has this year been seen in the localities where these fish were dumped.

LIGHT RECEIPTS AND BIG PRICES

Only Five Arrivals at T Wharf On Day After Turkey Festivities.

Quiet reigned at T wharf this morning after the holiday, there being little or no activity in the fresh fish market, with but five fares in since Wednesday.

Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley has the largest fare of the morning, hailing for 45,000 pounds of haddock and 10,000 pounds of cod. Other fares are schs. Stiletto, 20,000 pounds; Olive F. Hutchings, 6500 pounds; Elizabeth W. Nunan, 4000 pounds; steamer Bethulia, 18,000 pounds of pollock.

Haddock sold at \$3.50 to \$6.50 a hundred pounds, large cod, \$3.75 to \$5; market cod, \$2.50 to \$4; hake, \$2 to \$4; pollock, \$1.50 to \$1.75; cusk, \$1.50.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are: Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, 45,000 haddock, 10,000 cod.

Sch. Stiletto, 4000 haddock, 3000 cod, 8000 hake, 4000 cusk.

Sch. Olive F. Hutchings, 2000 haddock, 500 cod, 4000 hake.

Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, 1000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2000 hake.

Str. Bethulia, 18,000 pollock.

Haddock, \$3 to \$6.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$3.75 to \$5; market cod, \$2.50 to \$4; hake, \$2 to \$4; pollock, \$1.50 to \$1.75; cusk, \$1.20.

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HAD BREEZE TO THE EASTWARD

Sch. John Hays Hammond Met It on Way Home from Green Bank.

Sch. John Hays Hammond, the first of the halibuters to reach port since last Sunday evening's storm, arrived here Wednesday afternoon after disposing of her halibut fare at Portland.

The Hammond, in command of Capt. Archie McLeod, the youngest skipper of the halibut fleet, ran into the gale off the Nova Scotia coast. The craft however, did not meet with an accident then, but on Saturday, there was also a blow, when the breeze slatted her mainsail across the deck and the main boom, fully 12 inches in diameter, was snapped off pretty close to the mast. Fortunately the mainsail was not torn and the rigging held. A storm trysail was rigged and under this arrangement the craft rode the gale and the storm of Sunday as well.

During the storm Sunday night, the decks were continually washed with seas, but everything on deck that was moveable was fastened down, not even the gurry kids being damaged.

The craft had all sorts of weather during her four weeks out. Capt. McLeod fished on St. Peter's Bank and landed 9000 pounds of halibut at Portland which sold at 12 cents a pound right through, while he brought over here, about 60,000 pounds of fresh fish, mostly hake and 10,000 pounds of salt cod.

Capt. McLeod formerly commanded the Hortense, but recently shifted over to the Hammond in place of Capt. Lemuel E. Spinney who is staying ashore for the winter.

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Vessels Sailed.

British schooner Allen Rose, Boston. Sch. Arkona, Newfoundland herring trip.

Sch. Maxine Elliott, Newfoundland herring trip.

Sch. Laverna, haddocking.

Sch. Ingomar, haddocking.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Governor Foss arrived at Shelburne Monday last.

Sch. Senator Gardner arrived at Canso and cleared Monday last.

CUTTERS READY FOR WINTER RUN

Everything has now been made ready by the revenue cutters Androscoggin and Woodbury for the winter cruising that will be started Sunday morning.

Practically everything has been done to the big Androscoggin, but the Woodbury which is at the railway in South Portland has a few more repairs to be made but these will be completed so that the ship will be able to put to sea when the time comes.

Lieut. Le Roy Reinberg, in command of the Androscoggin, and Capt. Randolph Ridgley, Jr., in command of the Woodbury, have sent communications to all the life saving stations, the wireless stations and the custom houses to notify them by wireless in case they are needed to render assistance.

The duty of the Androscoggin will be particularly arduous, for she will cover the outside district, from New Brunswick to this port, while the smaller revenue cutter will cruise more in shore and will look after the small bays and coves. In sending out his communications, Lieut. Reinberg communicated with 25 lifesaving stations and three wireless stations, those at Cape Elizabeth, Portsmouth and the Boston navy yard.

According to the orders of the treasury department, the cutters are to remain at sea from the first day of December until April 1. The only time they are to come into port is when coal and other supplies are needed.

Lieut. J. J. Hutson, formerly of the training ship Itasca, arrived in Portland Tuesday and reported for duty on board the Androscoggin. He will be the navigating officer. This brings the compliment of line officers up to four lieutenants, the regular winter roster. Whether or not a captain will be sent remains to be seen. Lieutenant of Engineers M. A. Doyle is also expected before the ship sails.

Within a day or two, the training ship Itasca is due to arrive at Portland a launch for the Androscoggin. The one she has had was sent to Baltimore several weeks ago. Since then, the old engine has been taken out and a new Mianus has been placed aboard.

Portland Fish Notes.

Outside of the John Hays Hammond there was not a fishing arrival at Portland Tuesday. The weather outside was reported as rough so the fleet preferred to remain in port until conditions are more favorable.

Capt. Kent of sch. Sadie A. Kimball, is to start on a new route. He sailed from here Tuesday for Swan's Island, where he will load fish for Gloucester but on his return he will start on the Portland-Boothbay line.

Offered More Here

Sch. Paragon is at Portland today with 14,000 pounds of halibut which sold at 12 cents a pound right through, George H. Oakes, a gent of the American Halibut company telephoned to Portland and offered the skipper three cents and one-half better than the Portland price, but unfortunately for the captain and all hands, the deal with the Portland firm had been closed.

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Labrador Fish Drops.

The exporters of Labrador fish met again yesterday and decided to reduce the price in the Mediterranean markets to twenty shillings per quintal instead of 22, which was previously asked. This drop has been rendered necessary by the persistent refusal of buyers on the other side to pay the higher rate or to handle several cargoes recently sent to these ports. Our traders here are doing their best to maintain the highest prices, but they fear that the market will drop still lower very soon.—St. John's, N. F., Chronicle, Nov. 21.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Priscilla Smith from Newfoundland for this port arrived at Hawkesbury, Wednesday last. She met heavy weather and came in leaking and will make temporary repairs.

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REORGANIZE THE FISHERIES SERVICE

This is What the Canadian Fishermen are Asking For

The Canadian minister of marine and fisheries has now before him the question of the reorganization of the outside service in the fisheries branch of his department. There has been much criticism of the work of this service from the fishermen of the maritime provinces, and Mr. Hazen has had his officers studying the matter for some months.

Attention is called to the subject at the present time by the publication of a report of the commission of conservation on the sea fisheries of eastern Canada, in which the question is discussed. This report contains a succinct statement of the wishes of Nova Scotia fishermen made by Dr. Howard Murphy of Dalhousie university, Halifax.

The first demand of the fishermen, according to Dr. Murray, is for the appointment of a separate deputy minister of fisheries, who would devote his undivided time to the conservation and development of our fisheries.

"The fishermen," says Dr. Murray, "think that if a man could be found who, besides possessing all the other necessary qualifications for the position, adds to them a practical acquaintance with the fishery business and a good general knowledge of the conditions of the trade throughout Canada, and in other parts of the world as well, the chances for the success of the experiment would be very greatly improved; in fact," he adds, "they regard this as an essential qualification."

The second request is the establishment of a provincial fisheries agency under the federal department. "This agency would look after provincial statistics, would see to the enforcing of the regulations, would make itself useful in an educational way throughout the province, would keep constantly in close touch with conditions throughout the province, and would form a much needed connecting link between the local trade and the department at Ottawa."

"It is not too much to say that in the past it has sometimes been felt that the authorities in Ottawa were not in sufficiently close touch with our

local conditions and needs. With the establishing of such an agency should also come a complete reorganization of the service in the province.

"It is felt that much better service could be obtained by the appointment of fewer officials than there are at the present time and giving them more adequate salaries so that they could devote more attention to their duties."

At the conclusion of the paper, Mr. Murray quotes a letter from S. Y. Wilson, a Halifax fish merchant, in which what Dr. Murray had said was emphasized.

"It is almost impossible for me on such short notice," wrote Mr. Wilson in reference to the proposal for a provincial agency, "to do other than guess just how many officials would be necessary to carry out these duties in the province of Nova Scotia, but I think that better results and certainly more reliable information would be had from, say, a chief and staff of eight or 10 officials devoting their entire time and ability to this work, and would cost probably not more than half of what the present appointments now cost the department, from which the most unsatisfactory results accrue."

Other recommendations presented by Dr. Murray for the Nova Scotian fishermen, included the standardizing of the containers in which fish are shipped, inspection of pickled fish, and protective measures for lobsters and oysters. The last two of these questions are now before the shell fish commission, while proposals to meet the two first have already been considered by the minister, as has been previously announced in the Star.

What action will be taken by Mr. Hazen as to the establishment of a new deputy minister and a provincial agency is as yet unknown. The officers of the department, who were present when Dr. Murray's paper was read before the commission of conservation, were unable to go further than to state that the minister had the subject under consideration and that he was convinced that the existing conditions were unsatisfactory. Meanwhile the commission of conservation, in view of this statement, postponed action upon the questions until their January meeting.

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WILL HAVE AN ADVISORY BOARD

Canadian Fisheries Department to Get Close to Fishermen and Merchants.

The Canadian fisheries department has made an important forward movement in the passing of an order-in-council authorizing the establishment of a fisheries board of an advisory character, says an Ottawa despatch. Mr. Hazen, since his accession to the post, has had his attention drawn to the lack of progress, especially on the Atlantic coast.

Apart from fish breeding the fisheries branch has confined its operations to providing and enforcing regulations regarding certain fisheries, whereas the officers of the department have represented to the minister that encouragement can be given and development work can be done under efficient organization.

The method selected is to get into touch with those engaged in the different branches of the fisheries and the marketing of fish by appointing a fisheries advisory board, to be composed in part of certain officials of the government and in part of persons representing those engaged in the industry. The number of non-official members will be thirteen, distributed as follows:

Nova Scotia—Three, representing the banking vessels, the inshore fishermen and the fish merchants and

canners.

New Brunswick—Two, one representing the Bay of Fundy and one the gulf men.

Prince Edward Island and the Gulf Portion of Quebec—One.

Prairie Provinces—One each.

British Columbia—Three, one for the canners, one for the salmon fishermen and one for the deep sea men.

Ontario and Quebec control their own fisheries and so will not be represented.

The official members will be the deputy minister, the superintendent of fisheries, the assistant superintendent, the expert in fish curing and handling and the commissioner of fisheries.

There will be three committees which will meet semi-annually before the opening and after the closing of the seasons. The board will meet once a year. The Atlantic committee will arrive in Ottawa on the first Tuesday in April and October, the prairie committee on the second and the British Columbia committee on the third Tuesday of these months.

The members of the board will receive a per diem allowance, but no salary. Its functions will be advisory and it is expected that as a result of its advice an advanced policy can be adopted.

The appointment of members will be made at an early date.

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Lost a Lot of Gear.

Sch. Clara G. Silva, Capt. Manuel Silva, which arrived at T wharf this morning, reports losing half of his trawl gear down in the Channel Thursday evening during the blow.

SCH. TATTLER IS HOME TODAY

Only One of Dory Handline Fleet Now Remains to Arrive.

Sch. Tattler, Capt. Alden Geel, the last one of the dory handliners to come, is here from her second trip of the season, Capt. Geel hauling for 140,000 pounds of salt cod.

The gill netters had another good day yesterday, those boats that were out securing good hauls. The Venture, Capt. Patrick Murphy was high line with nearly 18,000 weight, while a number of the steamers had 10,000 pounds and over.

The fish were mostly pollock, the bulk of the day's receipts going to the splitters.

Sch. Paragon arrived here today from Portland having disposed of her halibut. She has 20,000 pounds of fresh fish and 7000 pounds of salt cod.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Tattler, dory handlining, 140,000 lbs. salt cod.

Str. Alice, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Margaret D., gill netting, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Prince Olaf, gill netting, 6500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Nomad, gill netting, 12,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Ethel, gill netting, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. George E. Fisher, gill netting, 8000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Gertrude T., gill netting, 15,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. R. J. Kellick, gill netting, 7000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Bessie M. Dugan, gill netting, 3500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Medomak, gill netting, 13,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Hugo, gill netting, 7000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Isben, gill netting, 9600 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Eagle, gill netting, 1850 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Naomi Bruce, gill netting, 8200 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Anna T., gill netting, 8145 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Geisha, gill netting, 14,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Nashawena, 14,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Mindora, gill netting, 5568 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Rough Rider, gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Venture, gill netting, 17,420 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Pauline, Georges handlining, 20,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Paragon, via Portland, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish, 7000 lbs. salt cod.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Esperanto, haddocking.

Sch. Josephine DeCosta, haddocking.

Sch. Lillian, haddocking.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$4.25; medium, \$3.75; snappers, \$2.75.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5.50 per cwt.; medium, \$4.62 1-2; snappers, \$3.25.

Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; mediums, \$3.75; snappers, \$3.

Dory handlining codfish, large, \$4.50; medium, \$4.12 1-2; snappers, \$3.50.

Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; mediums, \$4.

Drift codfish, large \$4.25; mediums, \$3.62 1-2.

Cusk, large, \$2.25; mediums, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.25.

Pollock, \$1.50.

Hake, \$1.50.

Haddock, \$1.50.

Large salt mackerel \$20 per bbl.; Fletched halibut 10c per lb.

Fresh Fish.

Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.

Eastern cod, large, \$2.10; medium, \$1.75; snappers, 75c.

Western cod, large, \$2.15; mediums, \$1.80; snappers, 75c.

All codfish not gilled 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.

Hake, \$1.15.

Cusk, large, \$1.30; mediums, \$1; snappers, 50c.

Dressed pollock, 90c; round, 80c.

Bank halibut, 15 1/2c lb. for white and gray.

Fresh mackerel, 25c for large.

Fresh herring, \$1 per bbl. to salt; \$2 per bbl. for bait

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GOOD PRICES CLOSE THE WEEK

Four Steam Trawlers and Four Sailing Crafts at T Wharf Today.

Four steam trawlers and four sailing crafts with approximately 200,000 pounds of fresh fish constituted the arrivals at T wharf this morning, although there was but little doing in the trade line, on account of the closing of the week.

The arrivals reported are steamers Surf, 24,000 pounds; Swell, 40,000 pounds; Ripple, 35,000 pounds; Crest, 35,000 pounds; schs. Cynthia, 34,000 pounds; Pontiac, 16,000 pounds; Mary E. Silveria, 12,000 pounds; Clara G. Silva, 6500 pounds.

Haddock sold at \$3.50 to \$3.75 a hundred weight; large cod, \$4.50 to \$5; market cod, \$3; hake, \$2 to \$4; pollock, \$1.35.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:

Str. Surf, 24,000 haddock, 700 cod.

Str. Swell, 40,000 haddock.

Str. Ripple, 35,000 haddock.

Sch. Cynthia, 10,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 20,000 hake.

Str. Crest, 35,000 haddock, 200 cod.

Sch. Pontiac, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod, 4000 hake.

Sch. Mary E. Silveria, 10,000 haddock, 1800 cod, 200 hake.

Sch. Clara G. Silva, 2000 haddock, 4500 hake.

Haddock, \$3.50 to \$3.75 per cwt.; large cod, \$4.50 to \$5; market cod, \$3; hake, \$2 to \$4; pollock, \$1.35.

COD CATCH AT NEWFOUNDLAND

The dried fish market remains firm on light supplies, with transactions only on a moderate scale. Prices at St. John's, N. F., are still very high, and sales are reported as slow. The holders there are asking \$6.70 to \$7 for large merchantable and Maderia fish, and \$6.50 to \$6.60 for the next grade, according to the "Trade Review." Shore cured Labrador extra fine was sold at \$6.50, and other grades at from \$6.30 to \$6.40. Ordinary Labrador was quoted at \$4.20 to \$4.30. Fishing is reported good, with some catches showing fish of extra large size.

A meeting of fish exporters engaged in the Labrador trade was held recently at St. John's, and an agreement was made not to sell for less than 22 shillings. This was the result of a movement among Spanish buyers to get the price down to 19 shillings. The fish ordered for the Levant has been held up by the war operations in the East and there is quite a large stock unconsumed in consequence, but the St. John's trade are resolved not to sell at a loss, under any circumstances. The exports of dried codfish from Newfoundland from August 1 to October 17 are reported as 185,005 qtls., against 217,815 for the corresponding period of last year. The total shore and Straits catch is given as 621,730 quintals, and the Board of Trade estimates the total at the end of the season as about 700,000 quintals.

Foreign Salt Mackerel.

Norways Nos. 1 and 2 are reported firmer, and other counts are easier for the present, with only a moderate demand, according to the Fishing Gazette. The first shipments were readily taken, and the trade seems filled up in the meantime. Irish mackerel is quiet, with a stronger tone on the finer grades. The total shipments for last week were 673 barrels, making the total receipts to date 15,277 barrels. The quantity landed on the Irish coasts during October is reported as 14,668 barrels, valued at \$42,510 compared with 11,717 barrels valued at \$36,290, in October of last year. The advices from Dingle, of November 4, state that about 5000 mackerel were landed and cured in the previous week, the count being about 350. The report for November 9 gives 80,000 fish landed and cured in the previous week, the count being 350 to 370. Shipments from Liverpool to Boston, November 13, were 106 barrels.

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THE ALCONA IS DOING FINELY

**Has Frozen Two Cargoes of
Herring at Bonne Bay—
Crafts Go to Load.**

Herring have struck in at Bonne Bay, N. F., and the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company steamer Alcona has already taken on and frozen between 3000 and 4000 barrels of fish, two good vessel loads, which are ready to be transhipped home.

Schs. Maxine Elliott and Tacoma have left for Bonne Bay and will load these cargoes for the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company.

FISHERMAN ARE ON A STRIKE

**On Pacific Coast and Con-
cerns May Send Here
for Men.**

Judging from the tenor of the letters received here frequently from members of the company of Gloucester fishermen, who went to the Pacific coast a few years ago to engage in the Pacific coast fisheries, there is no small number of the crowd who wish they were back here and probably would give a good deal to be fishing in one of the eastern haddocks again.

A recent letter from Seattle from one of those belonging here says that things are pretty dull just about the present time, as there is a strike on between the fishermen and owners. There is talk, it is said, of sending on east for more men, but all the fishermen are hoping that none will come to take the place of the striking men, who are fighting to secure what they deem their rights.

What the French Fleet Did.

The French fleet on the Newfoundland Banks during the season of 1912 numbered 40 schooners fitted out in the colony of St. Pierre et Miquelon, 240 sailing vessel fitted out in France, and 14 steam trawlers from France. Five of the St. Pierre schooners and one steam trawler were lost. The losses of the continental fleet of sailing vessels are not known here. The 35 St. Pierre schooners that finished the season landed 4,854,486 pounds of green salted fish, or an average of 138,690 pounds per schooner. This is a very poor catch, and although green bank cod sold at St. Pierre as high as five cents a pound, and the average price of the season was in the neighborhood of 4 1/4 cents, nearly all owners incurred heavy losses. The 13 trawlers that survived landed at St. Pierre for trans-shipment 3,985,245 pounds of green salted fish. It is supposed that each of the trawlers also carried back a cargo of fish to France. They probably made a fair profit on the season.

Cod Scarcer This Year.

Old Nahant fishermen admit themselves puzzled over the conditions which prevail this year in the grounds off Eastern Point.

Not in many years have cod been as scarce as this year. On the other hand, not in the memory of even Charley Gove, the pioneer fisherman, have they run to such enormous sizes.

Recently a catch of "150 weight" was made in a short time, all the specimens weighing from 40 to 60 pounds, with heads as large as ordinary water buckets. Skill which enabled the fishermen to capture hundreds in the past goes for naught now, and only the most wily tactics will result in the landing of a big fellow.

The fishermen state that netting and trawling earlier in the season is responsible for the scarcity, but all are at a loss to account for the extraordinary size which is prevalent.

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Oregon After Halibut.

After having overlooked the possibilities in this direction for years, Oregon coast points are discovering a new source of wealth, namely, deep sea fishing. Valuable halibut fisheries are now being developed, which promise to prove exceptionally profitable. It is only within the past few months that it has become known that extensive halibut banks exist only a few miles from convenient point. A number of schooners have been equipped for the work and are now operating regularly to and from the grounds. A cold storage plant has been erected at Newport, on Yaquina Bay, to handle the catch of the fishing fleet and every trip of the vessels has been marked by success.

Don't Like Steam Trawlers.

Although the new steam trawlers at Durban, Natal, are making good catches, certain vested interests are said to be unfavorable to the new trawling company, and owing to facilities for distribution there being hindered, several tons of fish have had to be destroyed.

Nov. 30.

New Fish Scheme.

Fritz Optis, from Germany, who has been at St. John's for six weeks, leaves by the Mongolian to report to a wealthy German concern, in whose interest he has been at St. John's, associated with Mr. Kampf, they planning to go into the fishery operations on a large scale. Mr. Kampf has taken over the Thos. Smith Co.'s premises on Duckworth street, and is planning large lobster-export trade, fishery supplying, making of lobster cans, etc., and also, for the supply of the general merchandise from American and European manufacturers. This should be a very successful undertaking.—St. John's Chronicle.

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I, for one, am mighty glad to see that the steamer Alcona, now at Newfoundland and owned by the Gorton-Pew Fisheries company off this port, is doing so finely. Ever since the purchase about two years ago, the company has received all manners of criticisms besides a lot of hard luck. The most disastrous incident was the fire on board badly burning her just as she was ready to sail in the early summer. The firm was not discouraged at this and with the same dogged persistency that has brought the firm to the fore in the fishing industry, they kept on with their task, determined to send her on the mission to Newfoundland. Success crowned their efforts and it will be remembered that a number of weeks ago she steamed out of the harbor and pointed her bow across the bay to the land of herring. I hope now that the firm will get some adequate return for the large sum they expended in fitting her for her trip.

Dec. 2.

Portland Fish Notes.

Sch. Hattie L. Trask, which had been fishing on Georges, brought in a small amount of halibut and about 20,000 pounds of salt cod at Portland. He will keep the latter on board and fit out here for another trip to the banks. The Trask took the gale a week ago Sunday night when about 60 miles off Cape Elizabeth, but reefed down and succeeded in making Boothbay Harbor.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Frances V. Sylvia, haddocking.
Sch. Juno, haddocking.
Sch. Mary DeCosta, haddocking.
Sch. Mary P. Goulart, haddocking.
Sch. Jorgina haddocking.
Sch. Edith Silveria, haddocking.
Sch. Leonora Silveria, haddocking.
Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, haddocking.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Flora S. Oliver arrived at Liverpool Friday last and cleared for fishing.

Sch. Georgiana arrived at Shelburne Thursday last and cleared.

HALIBUTERS HERE TODAY

**Three Bring Small Fares
Which Sold to American
Halibut Co.**

The morning's receipts at this port include three of the halibut catchers who have arrived since Saturday's report with approximately 28,000 pounds among them. All three fares sold to the American Halibut company this forenoon at 17 cents a pound for white and 14 cents for gray.

Sch. Rhodora Capt. Augustus Petersen had 12,000 weight, in addition to 10,000 pounds of salt cod, and sch. Waldo L. Stream, Capt. Frank Stream, 14,000 pounds, in addition to a few fresh and salt fish. Sch. Yakima, Capt. Ralph Wharton had about 2000 weight of halibut and 40,000 pounds of fresh fish and 10,000 pounds of salt cod.

Most of the gill netters were out Saturday and Sunday, although many of the fares averaged considerably smaller during previous days of the week. Most of the fish was pollock which sold to the splitters.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Yakima, Cape Shore, 2000 lbs. fresh halibut, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish, 10,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Harriett, shore, 6000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Frances V. Sylvia, shore.

Sch. Mary DeCosta, shore.

Sch. Mary P. Goulart, shore.

Sch. Edith Silveria, shore.

Sch. Rhodora, halibuting, 12,000 lbs. fresh halibut, 10,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Waldo L. Stream, Cape Shore, halibuting, 14,000 lbs. fresh halibut.

Str. Alice, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Quoddy, gill netting, 6000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Eagle, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Nomad, gill netting, 7000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Water Witch, 11,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Sunflower, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. R. J. Kellick, gill netting, 8000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Bessie M. Dugan, gill netting, 5000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Lorena, gill netting, 4738 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Mystery, gill netting, 7000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Scout, gill netting, 1200 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Geisha, gill netting, 12,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Naomi Bruce, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Mindora, gill netting, 3035 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Rough Rider, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Margaret D., gill netting, 5000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Hugo, gill netting, 6173 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Nomad, gill netting, 8000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Enterprise, gill netting, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Ethel, gill netting, 6000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Venture, gill netting, 5000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Nashawena, gill netting, 12,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Gertrude T., gill netting, 5000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. George E. Fisher, gill netting, 6000 lbs. fresh fish.

Saturday's Gill Netting Arrivals.

Str. Evelyn H., gill netting, 9000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Quoddy, gill netting, 7000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Gertrude T., gill netting, 8000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Margaret D., gill netting, 9000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Geo. E. Fisher, gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Nomad, gill netting, 16,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Enterprise, gill netting, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Sunflower, gill netting, 7000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Ibsen, gill netting, 6000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Scout, gill netting, 2000 fresh fish.

Str. F. S. Willard, gill netting, 12,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Nomad, gill netting, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Enterprise, gill netting, 17,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Venture, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Philomena, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Ethel, gill netting, 6000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Nashawena, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Medomak, gill netting, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. R. J. Kellick, gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Sawyer, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

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FIFTEEN SAIL IN AT T WHARF

**Sch. Richard With 76,000
Pounds, the Largest Fare
of the Day.**

T wharf arrivals this morning comprised 15 fleet of sail, five of which are off shore crafts, averaging fares prevailing.

A nice trip is that of sch. Richard, Capt. William C. Corkum, who hails for a mixed fare of 76,000 pounds. The others are schs. Mary F. Curtis, 51,000 pounds; Elmer E. Gray, 38,000 pounds; Lucania, 44,000 pounds.

Haddock sold at \$2.80 to \$6.50 a hundred; large cod, \$5 to \$6.50; market cod, \$3 to \$4.50; hake, \$3 to \$4.50; pollock, \$1.50; cusk, \$2 and halibut, 17 cents a pound.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:
Sch. Mary F. Curtis, 13,000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 12,000 hake, 10,000 cusk, 1000 halibut.

Sch. Aspinet, 15,000 haddock, 7500 cod, 1200 hake, 1000 cusk.

Sch. Elmer E. Gray, 14,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 4000 hake, 5000 cusk.

Sch. Richard, 35,000 haddock, 22,000 cod, 12,000 hake, 7000 cusk.

Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 5000 haddock, 4000 cod, 5000 hake, 2000 cusk.

Sch. Richard T. Nunan, 1500 haddock, 3500 cod, 20 hake, 1500 cusk.

Sch. Evelyn L. Thompson, 2000 haddock, 3000 cod, 4800 hake, 3000 cusk.

Sch. Flavilla, 3000 haddock, 1500 hake.

Sch. Lucania, 15,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 3000 hake, 7000 cusk, 4000 pollock.

Sch. William H. Reed, 2200 cod.

Sch. Gracie Freeman, 3000 haddock.

Sch. Joker II, 3800 cod.

Sch. Nautilus, 2000 cod.

Sch. Blanche F. Irving, 4300 cod.

Sch. Reliance, 8600 cod.

Haddock, \$2.80 to \$6.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$5 to \$6.50; market cod, \$3 to \$4.50; hake, \$3 to \$4.50; pollock, \$1.50; cusk, \$2; halibut, 17c for white and for gray.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$4.25; medium, \$3.75; snappers, \$2.75.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5.50 per cwt.; medium, \$4.62 1-2; snappers, \$3.25.

Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; mediums, \$3.75; snappers, \$3.

Dory handlining codfish, large, \$4.50; medium, \$4.12 1-2; snappers, \$3.50.

Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; mediums, \$4.

Drift codfish, large, \$4.25; mediums, \$3.62 1-2.

Cusk, large, \$2.25; mediums, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.25.

Pollock, \$1.50.

Hake, \$1.50.

Haddock, \$1.50.

Large salt mackerel \$20 per bbl.; Fletched halibut, 10c per lb.

Fresh Fish.

Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.

Eastern cod, large, \$2.10; medium, \$1.75; snappers, 75c.

Western cod, large, \$2.15; mediums, \$1.80; snappers, 75c.

All codfish not gilled 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.

Hake, \$1.15.

Cusk, large, \$1.30 mediums, \$1; snappers, 50c.

Dressed pollock, 90c round, 80c.

Bank halibut, 15 1/2 lb. for white and gray.

Fresh mackerel, 25c or large.

Fresh herring, \$1 per bbl. to salt; \$2 per bbl. for bait.